IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for making a bloom-free thermoplastic polyurethane comprising blending an amount of a chain terminator selected from the group consisting of monofunctional alkylene alcohol having at least 14 carbon atoms and mono-isocyanate, in molten thermoplastic polyurethane, said polyurethane being the product of a reaction wherein reactants comprise

(i) at least one hydroxy functional polyol selected from the group consisting of polyester polyol, polyether polyol and polycarbonate polyol, having a number average molecular weight of 500 to 5000 and a hydroxyl functionality of at least 2,

(ii) a chain extending compound selected from the group consisting of diols and diamines having a molecular weight of 60 to 500 g/mol,

(iii) an organic diisocyanate,

wherein said (i), (ii) and (iii) are present in the reaction in such amounts that the ratio NCO/H therebetween is 0.95 to 1.05, said amount of chain terminator being sufficient to render said product bloom-free the polyester consisting of polybutylene adipate.

Add the following:

--13. A method for making a bloom-free thermoplastic polyurethane comprising blending an amount of a chain terminator selected from the group consisting of monofunctional alkylene alcohol having at least 14 carbon atoms and mono-isocyanate, in molten thermoplastic polyurethane, said polyurethane being the product of a reaction wherein reactants comprise

(i) at least one hydroxy functional polybutylene adipate having a number average molecular weight of 500 to 5000 and a hydroxyl functionality of at least 2,

(ii) a chain extending compound selected from the group consisting of diols and diamines having a molecular weight of 60 to 500 g/mol,

(iii) an organic diisocyanate,

B2 wherein said (i), (ii) and (iii) are present in the reaction in such amounts that the ratio NCO/H therebetween is 0.95 to 1.05, said amount of chain terminator being sufficient to render said product bloom-free.--